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JOURNAL OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

Providence, Rhode Island

September 12, 1966

The Convention was called to order by Mr. Dennis J. Roberts, Chairman, at 1:58 P.M.

INVOCATION

The Chairman presented Rabbi Nathan N. Rosen, Chaplain at Brown University and Providence area colleges; Director of the Hillel Foundation at Brown University, for the purpose of giving the Invocation. The Invocation was given.

The roll of delegates was called; there were 69 present and 21 absent.

Absentees were Messrs. Appolonia, Beauchemin, Belhumeur, Mrs. Castiglia, Messrs. Coleman, Delehanty, DeCiantis, DiLuglio, Dodge, Fanning of Cumberland, Feeney, Fontaine, Gallagher, Gates, Giguere, Jordan, Mrs. Lacroix, Messrs. Lallo, Martin, McCabe, McGrath, Merolla, Moon, Mulligan, Murphy of Coventry, Murray, Parrillo, Mrs. Pulner, Stapleton, Viall and Willey.

The names of the absentees were called.

On motion of Mr. Matzner, the delegates extended to Rabbi Rosen a rising vote of appreciation for his kindness in giving the Invocation.

On motion of Mr. Wexler, seconded by Messrs. Principe, Foster and Manning, reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed on a voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the Convention proceeded to consider the Report of the Committee of the Whole.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The Chairman announced that he would present the report of the Committee of the Whole for July 11, 1966, a copy of which was on the desk of each delegate.

On motion of Mr. Wexler, seconded by Messrs. Dolbashian, Foster and Cochran, reading of the report was dispensed and the Convention proceeded to act thereon, on a voice vote.

The Chairman, as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole on July 11, 1966, presented a report of the Committee of the Whole to the Convention and action was taken thereon as follows:

"The Committee of the Whole meeting on July 11, 1966, considered Proposal No. 199, 'Libraries.'

"The Committee on Education did not recommend. On a division vote a motion to recommend rejection of the proposal prevailed."

Mr. Wexler, seconded by Messrs. Dolbashian, Lawrence, and Wrenn, moved that the proposal be rejected.

On a division vote the motion to reject the proposal prevailed, 60 delegates voting in the affirmative and 0 delegates voting in the negative.

Also, "The Committee considered Proposal No. 184, 'School Committees.'

"The Committee on Education did not recommend. On a division vote a motion to recommend rejection of the proposal prevailed."

Mr. Dolbashian, seconded by Messrs. Murphy of Tiverton and Canna, moved that the proposal be rejected.

On a division vote the motion to reject the proposal prevailed, 59 delegates voting in the affirmative and 0 delegates voting in the negative.

Also, "The Committee considered Proposal No. 189, Section J, 'Article XII - Of Education.'

"The Committee on Education did not recommend. On a division vote a motion to recommend rejection of the proposal prevailed."

Mr. Murphy of Tiverton, seconded by Mr. Dolbashian, moved that the proposal be rejected.

On a division vote the motion to reject the proposal prevailed, 57 delegates voting in the affirmative and - 0 delegates voting in the negative.

SECOND READING OF PROPOSALS

In order for Second Reading were the following proposals:

Proposal No. 25 "Preamble"

(The Committee on Style and Drafting recommends adoption.)

The proposal was read.

Mr. Wexler, seconded by Messrs. Dolbashian, Fanning of Providence, Foster, Wrenn, Cooney, Chaharyn, moved that the proposal be adopted.

On a roll call vote the proposal was adopted, 66 delegates voting in the affirmative, 0 delegates voting in the negative and 34 delegates absent or not voting as follows:

AYES - 66

Vincent J. Baccari-Providence	Samuel C. Kagan-Providence
Mrs. Jane H. Barber-Westerly	Samuel J. Kanakry-Pawtucket
Joseph A. Bevilacqua-Providence	Bradford H. Kenyon-West Greenwich
Norman E. Bizier-Central Falls	Mrs. Demetra Lambros-Providence
Adrien Bissonnette-Woonsocket	John W. Laporte-Burrillville
Thomas H. Bride-Warwick	A. Norman LaSalle-Warwick
Domenic C. Canna-Bristol	Frederick A. Lawrence-Providence
Jeremiah H. Cannon-Providence	Epifanio F. Macari-Cranston
Mrs. Claire Capuano-Woonsocket	Edward P. Manning-Cumberland
Orist D. Chaharyn-Woonsocket	William I. Matzner-Providence
William J. Champion, Jr.-Newport	Vincent P. McKinnon-Pawtucket
Eugene F. Cochran-Providence	Donald E. McKiernan-Providence
Miss Elaine C. Colaneri-Providence	James E. Murphy-Warren
David J. Colbert, Jr.-Cranston	William F. Murphy-Tiverton
John P. Cooney, Jr.-Providence	Charles Nathanson-Warwick
Edward B. Corcoran-Middletown	Francis P. O'Donnell-Providence
Osias Cote-Pawtucket	Robert S. Ortoleva-Providence
Lloyd R. Crandall-Hopkinton	Mrs. Nuala O'D. Pell-Newport
Domenic A. DiSandro, Jr.-Narra.	Robert F. Pickard-E. Greenwich
Harry J. Dyl-Central Falls	Antonio Prince-Woonsocket
Edward M. Dolbashian-Portsmouth	Anthony F. Principe-Bristol
John F. Doris-Woonsocket	Thomas D. Pucci-Providence
Stephen A. Fanning, Jr.-Providence	Hugo L. Ricci-Providence
Ernest A. Foster-Pawtucket	Dennis J. Roberts-Providence
Mrs. Millicent S. Foster-N.Kngstwn.	Augusto W. SaoBento-East Providence
Michael A. Gammino, Jr.-Providence	Owen V. Sherry-North Smithfield
William J. Gmelin-Charlestown	Howard R. Smart, Jr.-Lincoln
Fulda E. Geoffroy-West Warwick	Bradley L. Steere-East Providence
Anthony Giangiacomo-Providence	John J. Toolin-Richmond
Bradford Gorham-Foster	Anthony Vacca-Smithfield
John Gorham-Scituate	David D. Warren-North Providence
George D. Greenhalgh-Glocester	Edmund Wexler-Providence
Mrs. A. Marion Hager-Cranston	John J. Wrenn-Providence

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING - 34

Felix A. Appolonia-West Warwick	Michael DeCiantis-West Warwick
Roger A. Beauchemin-Pawtucket	Thomas R. DiLuglio-Johnston
Arthur A. Belhumeur-Central Falls	John C. Dodge-New Shoreham
Mrs. Aurora Castiglia-Cranston	Stephen A. Fanning-Cumberland
Kevin K. Coleman-Woonsocket	William A. Feeney-E.Providence
Matthew C. Cunningham-Pawtucket	Paul A. Fontaine-Woonsocket
Robert J. Delehanty-Newport	James A. Gallagher-Jamestown

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING - 34 (cont.)

Edward P. Gallogly-Providence	Arthur Merolla-Providence
Robert B. Gates-South Kingstown	Edwin J. Moon-Exeter
Noel A. Giguere-Woonsocket	Edward J. Mulligan-Central Falls
Raymond E. Jordan-Pawtucket	James F. Murphy-Coventry
Mrs. Jeannette M. Lacroix-Lincoln	Paul F. Murray-Newport
August P. LaFrance-Pawtucket	Dr. John A. Parrillo-Providence
John F. Lallo-Westerly	Mrs. Theresa F. Pulner-Cranston
Frank A. Martin, Jr.-Pawtucket	Alfred B. Stapleton-Little Compton
Francis H. McCabe-Pawtucket	Charles C. Viall-East Providence
Thomas F. McGrath-Providence	Grafton H. Willey III-Barrington

Proposal No. 29, Substitute B "Of the Legislative Power"
(The Committee on Style and Drafting recommends adoption.)

Mr. Dolbashian, seconded by Mr. Doris, moved that the proposal be adopted.

On suggestion of Mr. Matzner by unanimous consent, reading of the proposal in its entirety was dispensed and the Convention proceeded to consider the proposal section by section.

Section 1 of the proposal was read.

Mr. Wexler, seconded by Messrs. Foster, Bride and Cannon, moved that the section be adopted.

On a division vote the motion prevailed, 65 delegates voting in the affirmative and 0 delegates voting in the negative.

Section 2 of the proposal was read.

Mr. Wexler, seconded by Messrs. Foster, Murphy of Tiverton, Cannon, Cunningham, SaoBento, Doris, and Cochran, moved that the section be adopted.

On a division vote the motion did not prevail, 51 affirmative votes being required, 45 delegates voting in the affirmative and 16 delegates voting in the negative.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:32 P.M., on motion of Mr. Doris, seconded by Messrs. Foster and Bizier, the Convention adjourned to meet at the call of the Chairman on a voice vote.

August P. LaFrance, Secretary
Constitutional Convention